WHEREAS, Agriculture is the basic industry in South Dakota, providing either the market or the raw material for almost the entire economy of the State; and

WHEREAS, South Dakota can prosper only as its basic industry has the purchasing power to absorb the goods and services provided as capitalists; and

WHEREAS, Cooperatives are a basic part of our American private enterprise system that helps individual farmers retain their identity as capitalists: and

WHEREAS, Cooperatives have made a substantial contribution to the development of a progressive agricultural economy in South Dakota, by providing the means by which farmers can increase their bargaining power and achieve economic recognition in the market place; and

WHEREAS, Cooperatives have not only benefitted the agricultural industry, but the general public as well -- by placing priority on people, making them a vigorous part of the American business system,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of October, 1974, as

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in South Dakota and urge an understanding and recognition of the achievements and services of Cooperatives in our State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, this 12th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Four.

Richard F. Kneip

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Lorna B. Herseth

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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